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 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1024 S. Main Ave., Newton, NC 28658
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ATTEST:

RITA K. WILLIAMS, CITY CLERK

B.2 Betty and Monica Boston - nuisance violation.

RESOLUTION #25-2004
 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
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CONCERNING:

OWNER/OCCUPANT/TENANT: Ms. Betty Boston and Ms. Monica Boston
 OWNER'S ADDRESS: 1713 Emmanuel Church Rd., Conover, NC 28613
 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 315 West 10th St., Newton, NC 28658
 TAX MAP REFERENCE: MAP 14N, BLOCK 05 LOT 01 (COUNTY Catawba)
 PIN: 3730 12 86 8998

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